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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. BOB GERMAN AND WIFE ARRIVE AT 1540 SEPTEMBER 5 VIA PAN AM 66 FROM FRANKFURT, ACCOMPANIED BY 70-POUND DOG IN LARGE FLIGHT KENNEL. IS THEIR APARTMENT AVAILABLE, OR WILL THEY BE GOING INTO TEMPORARY QUARTERS? PLEASE ADVISE IF ANYONE HAS ANY SHOPPING NEEDS GERMAN COULD TAKE CARE OF IN WASHINGTON.

2. SPECIAL AGENT ROBERT LUTES OF THE ARIZONA DRUG CONTROL DISTRICT INFORMED US OF HIS SEPTEMBER 29-OCTOBER 7 TOURIST VISIT TO THE USSR AND ASKED IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE A PRIVATE MEETING WITH SOVIET NARCOTICS OFFICIALS IN MOSCOW TO DISCUSS COMMON DRUG PROBLEMS. WE ADVISED HIM THAT THE SOVIETS ARE EXTREMELY UNLIKELY TO AGREE TO MEET TO DISCUSS SUCH A SENSITIVE TOPIC, EVEN ON A PRIVATE BASIS.
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WE DID SUGGEST, HOWEVER, THAT HE MIGHT WISH TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH THE EMBASSY'S NARCOTICS OFFICER, JUDYT MANDEL. LUTES WILL BE IN MOSCOW OCTOBER 3-5. WE ARE POUCHING A COPY OF HIS CORRESPONDENCE.

3. SOVIET CONSUL KAVALEROV AND HIS DEPUTY, MALNEV, INVITED BILL FARRAND AND JIM HUFF TO LUNCH AUGUST 22. DURING

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LUNCHEON CONVERSATION LARGELY DEVOTED TO GETTING ACQUAINTED
KAVALEROV MENTIONED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH
FARRAND AGAIN NEXT WEEK TO DISCUSS THE SEVERAL CONSULAR
PROBLEMS OUTSTANDING BETWEEN US, I.E., THE CONSULAR REVIEW.
FARRAND SAID HE WOULD BE PLEASED TO MEET WITH KAVALEROV
ON THESE MATTERS BUT FIRST NEEDED A CHANCE TO FAMILIARIZE
HIMSELF WITH THEIR SCOPE AND NUMBER. HE AGREED TO GET
BACK TO KAVALEROV IN ABOUT A WEEK WHEN HE HAD DONE SO.
IT MAY BE THAT KAVALEROV'S SUGGESTION TO FARRAND HAS TO DO
WITH VASEV'S EARLIER CONVERSATION WITH LEN WILLEMS ABOUT
RESUMING CONSULAR REVIEW IN WASHINGTON. (SEE DEPT IO OF
AUG 7.) WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING BRIEF SUMMARY OF OUT-
STANDING CONSULAR MATTERS FROM CURRENT EMBASSY PERSPECTIVE.
WOULD ALSO WELCOME YOUR THOUGHTS, PER AUGUST 7 O-I ON
POSSIBLE RESUMPTION OF CONSULAR REVIEW TALKS IN WASHINGTON.

4. PENTECOSTALISTS: WE HAVE AN INSTRUCTION CABLE BEFORE
PRINCIPALS WHICH SHOULD BE APPROVED SHORTLY. AFTER MAKING
CHANGES IN THE AMBASSADOR'S LETTER TO ENCOMPASS THE ARMEN-
IAN WOMAN AND HER TWO CHILDREN, YOU WOULD BE AUTHORIZED
TO PROCEED WITH YOUR REFTEL RECOMMENDATIONS THIS WEEKEND.
GOOD LUCK -- WOULD SUGGEST THAT ACTION BE CARRIED OUT
SATURDAY IF POSSIBLE RATHER THAN SUNDAY GIVEN RELIGIOUS
IMPLICATIONS OF SITUATION. CHRISTOPHER

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